



## National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information National Adoption Information Clearinghouse



*Gateways to Information: Protecting Children and Strengthening Families*

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### Foster Care

The following organizations are among many that provide information on foster care. Inclusion on this list is for information purposes and does not constitute an endorsement by the Clearinghouse or the Children's Bureau.

#### **American Foster Care Resources, Inc. (AFCR)**

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AFCR is a publisher of resource materials for foster care providers, the children in care and their families, and the placing agency's staff and administration. AFCR's publications cover such topics as ADHD, discipline, sexual abuse, independent living, recruitment, and support groups.

#### **American Humane Association (AHA)**

Child Welfare Division  
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Englewood, CO, 80112-5117  
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Phone: (703) 294-6690  
Fax: (303) 792-5333  
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Email: [children@americanhumane.org](mailto:children@americanhumane.org)  
URL: <http://www.americanhumane.org>

The American Humane Association's mission is preventing cruelty, abuse, neglect, and exploitation of children and animals. AHA's Child Welfare Division has worked for many years to improve the public and private child welfare systems so they can respond more effectively to the needs of abused and neglected children. AHA is a national association of child protection programs, agencies, and individuals, and its membership includes State and local social service agencies, child advocates, courts, hospitals, schools, mental health professionals, and concerned citizens in every State. AHA information assists professionals and citizens in making informed decisions about how to help children and families in crisis. The association also develops resources and programs which help communities and citizens prevent child abuse.

#### **Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF)**

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Baltimore, MD, 21202  
Phone: (410) 547-6600  
Fax: (410) 547-6624  
URL: <http://www.aecf.org>

The Annie E. Casey Foundation works to build better futures for disadvantaged children and their families. The primary mission of the AECF is to foster public policies, human service reforms, and community supports that meet the needs of today's vulnerable children and families.

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Administration for Children and Families  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services



**Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children (ICPC)**

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URL: <http://icpc.aphsa.org>

The Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children is a uniform State law establishing a contract among party States to ensure that children placed across state lines receive adequate protection and services. The primary function of the ICPC is to protect the interests of both the children and the States by requiring that certain procedures be followed in the interstate placement of children who are being adopted, placed with relatives, or going into residential care or foster family homes.

**Casey Family Programs**

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Toll-Free: (800) 228-3559  
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URL: <http://www.casey.org>

Casey Family Programs provides an array of services for children and youth, with foster care as its core. Casey services include adoption, guardianship, kinship care, and family reunification. Casey is also committed to helping youth in foster care make a successful transition to adulthood.

**Center for Child and Family Programs (CCFP)**

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URL: <http://www.emich.edu/iscfc/ccfp/>

The Center for Child and Family Programs has replaced the National Foster Care Resource Center. The goals of the Center are to enhance the lives of vulnerable children and families and to shape local, State, and national policies by working with public and private agencies to conduct research, demonstrate new models of service, develop training curricula and provide T/TA, conduct program evaluations, and develop policy recommendations.

**Center for Family Connections (CFFC)**

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Cambridge, MA, 02141  
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The goal of the Center for Family Connections (CFC) is to serve individuals and families touched by adoption, foster care, kinship, and guardianship, as well as other complex blended families, and to serve the people with whom they are connected by offering training, education, consultation, advocacy, and clinical treatment.

**Chapin Hall Center for Children**

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Chapin Hall is a research and development center focusing on policies, practices, and programs affecting children and the families and communities in which they live. The Center devotes special attention to children facing significant problems such as abuse or neglect, poverty, and mental or physical illnesses, and to the service systems designed to address these problems.

**Children's Bureau (CB)**

330 C Street SW  
Room 2412  
Washington, DC, 20447  
URL: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/>

The Children's Bureau, the oldest Federal agency for children and families, is located within the Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families. The Bureau is responsible for assisting States in the delivery of child welfare services designed to protect children and to strengthen families. The Bureau provides grants to States, Tribes, and communities to operate a range of child welfare services including child protective services, family preservation and support, foster care, adoption, and independent living.

**Foster Family-Based Treatment Association (FFTA)**

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URL: <http://www.ffta.org>

The Foster Family-Based Treatment Association is a membership organization committed to enhancing the lives of children and their families by strengthening family-based organizations. Treatment foster care is a model of care that provides children with a combination of traditional foster care and residential treatment centers, with the treatment occurring within the foster family home.

**Freddie Mac Foundation**

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URL: <http://www.freddiemacfoundation.org>

The Freddie Mac Foundation provides funds for various nonprofit organizations that work on behalf of children, youth, and families. The Foundation focuses on children and prevention-oriented programs. Typically, grants are awarded to programs that build strong families, prevent child abuse and neglect, and recruit foster and adoptive parents. Among the Foundation's major programs are Healthy Families America and Wednesday's Child USA, a campaign to promote adoptions.

**Girls and Boys Town**

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Girls and Boys Town, the original Father Flanagan's Boys' Home, is an organization that cares for troubled children -- both boys and girls -- and for families in crisis. The mission is to change the way America cares for at-risk children. Girls and Boys Town provides treatment and care of troubled boys and girls and conducts research and development of programs to meet the ever-changing needs of these children and their families.

**National Adoption Information Clearinghouse (NAIC)**

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NAIC offers information on all aspects of adoption for professionals, policy makers, and the general public. The Clearinghouse develops and maintains a computerized database of books, journal articles, and other materials on adoption and related topics, conducts database searches, publishes materials on adoption, and gives referrals to related services and experts in the field. NAIC also maintains a database of experts knowledgeable in various areas of adoption practice. NAIC's primary audiences are adoption professionals and adoptive parents and children.

**National Association of Foster Care Reviewers (NAFCR)**

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The National Association of Foster Care Reviewers is a membership organization devoted to the development and expansion of foster care review systems and citizen review programs. NAFCR works to promote permanent families for children by assuring that every child in foster care receives independent, timely, quality case reviews, and to advocate on behalf of abused and neglected children nationwide by using the information gathered during the review process.

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The National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information, a service of the Children's Bureau, helps professionals locate information on child abuse and neglect and related child welfare issues. Among its resources, the Clearinghouse offers a bibliographic database of child maltreatment and related child welfare materials, summaries of State laws concerned with child abuse and neglect and child welfare, fact sheets, resource lists, bulletins, and other publications. Jointly with the National Adoption Information Clearinghouse (NAIC), the National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information publishes the Children's Bureau Express, an online digest of news and resources for professionals concerned with child maltreatment, child welfare, and adoption.

**National Foster Parent Association (NFPA)**

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URL: <http://www.nfpainc.org>

The National Foster Parent Association is a nonprofit volunteer organization established in 1972. The Association's purpose is to bring together foster parents, agency representatives, and people in the community to improve the foster care system. NFPA promotes mutual coordination, cooperation, and communication among foster parents, foster parent associations, child care agencies, and other child advocates in an effort to encourage the recruitment and retention of foster parents and to inform the Association's membership and the general public of particular children needing foster care placement.

**National Governors Association and NGA Center on Best Practices (NGA)**

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The mission of the National Governors Association and the NGA Center for Best Practices is to encourage the exchange of ideas and information in the States; identify and share the States' best practices and innovations; provide expert customized technical assistance to Governors; identify emerging issues and assist Governors in producing creative and effective responses; assist Governors in developing strategies for evaluating current state programs; explore and develop approaches to transfer responsibility from the Federal Government to the States and to establish new partnerships among Federal, State, and local governments; and to help Governors explore and develop public and private partnerships. The NGA has a long history of focusing on the needs of young children and the actions both the private and public sectors can take to help families meet those needs. Focus areas include child welfare, children and families, welfare reform, fatherhood, foster care and adoption, and youth development.

**National Resource Center for Foster Care and Permanency Planning (NRCFCPP)**

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The National Resource Center for Foster Care and Permanency Planning is funded by the Children's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Its mission is to provide information, training, and technical assistance on permanency planning for children in foster care. The Center addresses permanency planning issues through policy analysis, research, and information dissemination.

**National Resource Center for Youth Development (NRCYD)**

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The National Resource Center for Youth Development was created to help States, Tribes, and agencies implement the Adoption and Safe Families Act (1997) and the Foster Care Independence Act (1999). Funded by the Children's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Center provides training and technical assistance in developing policies that incorporate the legislation. The Center also assists the States and agencies in building capacity to deliver culturally competent, competency-based services; incorporate youth development/involvement approaches into all areas of programs and services; prepare for the statewide assessment portion of the CFSR initiative; develop and implement program improvements based on the CFSR review; and assist in permanency planning for adolescents.

**Orphan Foundation of America (OFA)**

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The Orphan Foundation of America's mission is to provide opportunities for America's foster youth to continue their education, to increase awareness of the number and plight of older teens leaving the bureaucratic maze of foster care, to highlight the potential of America's foster youth and the importance of supporting their dreams, and to offer direct opportunities for citizens, business, and civic organizations to assist older foster youth.